

Compact, Regenerable, Low Power Adsorber for Spacesuit CO₂, Humidity, and Trace Contaminant Control, Phase I

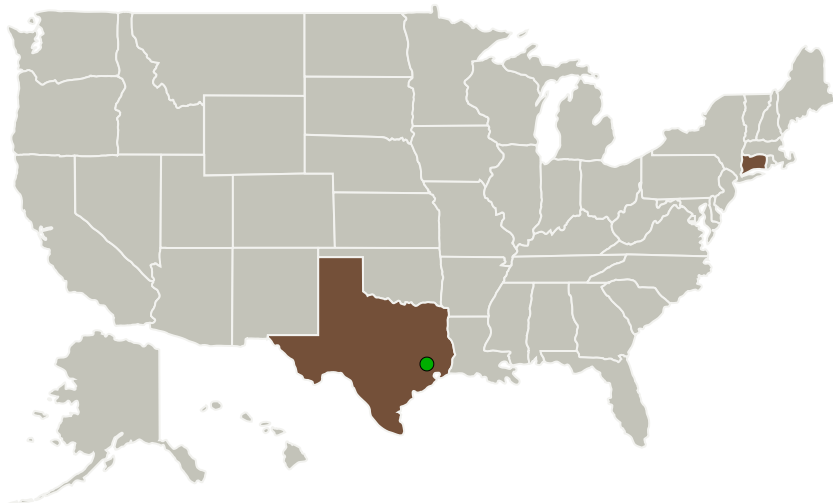
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Project Introduction

Current approaches planned for space suit atmosphere revitalization (AR) are neither compatible with each other nor regenerable in space, and have a high life cycle operating cost associated with them. The proposed PCI innovation in collaboration with University of Hartford involves synthesizing improved sorbents on high surface area supports tailored for CO₂, water and trace contaminant removal. Phase I effort will demonstrate proof of concept – developing appropriate methods for coating high capacity sorbents on high surface area supports, scalability of the approach with high bed utilization, maximizing sorption capacity resulting in ultra-compact sorption adsorber, rapid regeneration to vacuum and an operating demonstration on a bench scale; representing significant advances over current state-of-the art AR methods.

Primary U.S. Work Locations and Key Partners



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Organizations Performing Work	Role	Type	Location
Precision Combustion, Inc.	Lead Organization	Industry	North Haven, Connecticut
● Johnson Space Center(JSC)	Supporting Organization	NASA Center	Houston, Texas
University of Hartford	Supporting Organization	Academia	West Hartford, Connecticut

Primary U.S. Work Locations

Connecticut	Texas
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Project Transitions

▶ **February 2012:** Project Start

✓ **February 2013:** Closed out

Closeout Documentation:

- Final Summary Chart(<https://techport.nasa.gov/file/138051>)

Organizational Responsibility

Responsible Mission Directorate:

Space Technology Mission Directorate (STMD)

Lead Organization:

Precision Combustion, Inc.

Responsible Program:

Small Business Innovation Research/Small Business Tech Transfer

Project Management

Program Director:

Jason L Kessler

Program Manager:

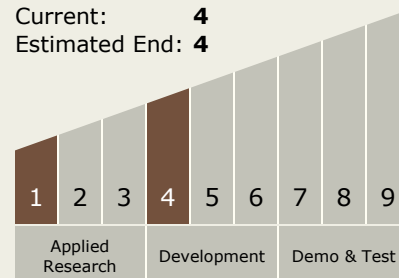
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Principal Investigator:

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Technology Maturity (TRL)

Start: **1**
Current: **4**
Estimated End: **4**



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Technology Areas

Primary:

- TX06 Human Health, Life Support, and Habitation Systems
 - └ TX06.1 Environmental Control & Life Support Systems (ECLSS) and Habitation Systems
 - └ TX06.1.1 Atmosphere Revitalization

Target Destinations

The Sun, Earth, The Moon, Mars, Others Inside the Solar System, Outside the Solar System